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THE NIGHT MESSAGE Photoplay in five reels /. Story by Perley Poore Sheehan Directed by Perley Poore Sheehan Author of Photoplay (under Section 62) Universal Pictures Corporation of U.S.

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"THE NIGHT MESSAGE"
Five-Reel Universal Attraction
All Star Cast

Elsie Lefferts, only daughter of "Old Man Lefferts" ruler of the southern mountain region, loves Lee Longstreet, only son of a widow whose husband and Lefferts had been oldtime enemies. Lefferts covets her land, which adjoins his own. Lefferts finds his daughter and Lee together and beats the boy with a bull-whip. He and his two sons favor Lem Beeman, telegraph operator in the little railroad station near their home, as Elsie's suitor. While hunting in the woods Lem accidentally shoots and kills Harney Lefferts. Elsie's brother. Bearing to confess the accident, he remains silent and lets Lee Longstreet be suspected of the killing. "Old Man Lefferts" and his remaining son set out to kill Lee in revenge; Mrs. Longstreet holds them up at the point of a shotgun and insists that the sheriff take her son into custody, confident that his innocence will be established. Lem Beeman, stricken by conscience, but a prey to fear, watches developments in agony. The boy is tried, and sentenced to death. On the nite before the execution is set the boy's mother rides thru a thunderstorm to make a last appeal to the governor, who refuses to act in the matter. Stormbound on her way home, she takes refuge in Lem Beeman's telegraph shack. Lem at last makes up his mind-he must confess. But the wires are down--to reach the prison with a message in time to save the condemned boy seems impossible.

Then it is that Lem Beeman acts as an instrument of Providence. He finds a way--though it costs him his life-- and his supreme sacrifice reunites two lovers and heals the feud that caused so much tragedy.

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### FULTON BRYLAWSKI

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